

MEETING RECORD

NAME OF GROUP: HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING: Thursday, August 15, 2013, 1:30 p.m., Conference Room 214, 2nd Floor, County-City Building, 555 S. 10th Street, Lincoln, Nebraska

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Tim Francis, Jim Johnson, Liz Kuhlman, Jim McKee and Greg Munn; (Berwyn Jones absent). Ed Zimmer, Stacey Groshong Hagemen and Teresa McKinstry of the Planning Department. Audrey Mohr of the Nebraska State Historical Society; Jordan Pascale of the Lincoln Journal Star and other interested citizens.

STATED PURPOSE OF MEETING: Regular Historic Preservation Commission Meeting

Chair Greg Munn called the meeting to order and acknowledged the posting of the Open Meetings Act in the room.

Munn then requested a motion approving the minutes for the joint meeting with Urban Design Committee and the regular meeting, both held July 18, 2013. Motion for approval made by Johnson, seconded by Francis and carried 5-0: Francis, Johnson, Kuhlman, McKee and Munn voting 'yes'; Jones absent.

The opportunity was then given for persons with limited time or with an item not appearing on the agenda to address the Commission. No one appeared.

APPLICATION BY "SWEEP LEFT" FOR A CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS FOR WORK AT THE PEPPERBERG BUILDING, 815 O STREET IN THE HAYMARKET LANDMARK DISTRICT
PUBLIC HEARING: August 15, 2013

Members present: Francis, Johnson, Kuhlman, McKee and Munn; Jones absent.

Ed Zimmer presented the drawing he received for the sign. There is a large, square shaped projecting sign on this building already. It seems to him, to only use the top half of the sign would be awkward-looking. It is a little bit of an unusual logo. An agreement was made for this business to use the name of "Sweep Left". It is an established logo for that name. He recommends approval, with an adjustment for the graphics and letters to fit the field of the existing board.

Munn questioned if the sign will be lit. Zimmer replied the sign will be non-illuminated. The environment is very bright in this area.

McKee noted there are many lights under the viaduct.

Zimmer added there are also lights on the overpass and other places in the immediate area. The sign panel itself is solid.

McKee believes this is almost no material effect.

Zimmer is not sure the sign was ever approved for this building in the first place.

ACTION:

McKee moved approval of the sign with the graphics centered in the box or the box made smaller to fit the sign, seconded by Johnson.

Munn has a problem with the blank, black space on the sign. This seems like a large sign with a lot of empty area. He noted that applications seem to be amended a lot when it comes time to vote. He attended the Historic Preservation workshop a while back, and he believes that is a bit frowned upon. He thinks this group should vote yes or no on what was submitted for review.

McKee agreed. If the applicant does not agree with the motion, they can return with a new submittal for a revised sign. He would like to see a drawing of exactly what is being voted on.

The other Commissioners noted their agreement.

McKee stated that it would be his preference to have the box size reduced to fit the sign.

Motion for approval as amended, failed 0-5: Francis, Johnson, Kuhlman, McKee and Munn voting 'no'; Jones absent.

APPLICATION BY "McKINNEY'S" FOR A CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS FOR WORK AT THE FORMER GRAINGER BROS. GROCERY COMPLEX, AKA FORMER SALVATION ARMY BUILDING, ADJACENT TO AND EAST OF 719 P STREET (BURKHOLDER PROJECT), ADDRESSED AT 151 N. 8TH STREET IN THE HAYMARKET LANDMARK DISTRICT.

PUBLIC HEARING:

August 15, 2013

Members present: Francis, Johnson, Kuhlman, McKee and Munn; Jones absent.

Nathan Stewart appeared as applicant. He distributed a drawing for the proposed sign. Goose neck lighting will be the only lighting on the sign.

Zimmer stated that this will fit well within the sign district standards.

Munn questioned the size of the sign. Stewart replied it will be 20 feet wide by 4 feet tall.

Munn stated that the sign seems a little large for the building, but there are other signs this size in the district.

Francis noted this will be the only sign on this building thus far.

McKee presumes the lights will face towards the sign. Stewart replied yes.

ACTION:

Munn moved approval, seconded by Kuhlman and carried 5-0: Francis, Johnson, Kuhlman, McKee and Munn voting 'yes'; Jones absent.

APPLICATION BY JONATHAN CAMP FOR A CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS FOR WORK AT THE ARMOUR BUILDING, 100 NORTH 8TH STREET IN THE HAYMARKET LANDMARK DISTRICT

PUBLIC HEARING:

August 15, 2013

Members present: Francis, Johnson, Kuhlman, McKee and Munn; Jones absent.

Zimmer stated that the applicant mentioned adding a sign, but he hasn't seen anything yet. They have finished their beer garden enclosure.

APPLICATION BY JONATHAN CAMP FOR A CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS FOR WORK AT THE HARPHAM BUILDING, 808 P STREET IN THE HAYMARKET LANDMARK DISTRICT

PUBLIC HEARING:

August 15, 2013

Members present: Francis, Johnson, Kuhlman, McKee and Munn; Jones absent.

Zimmer stated there was no new information to present.

APPLICATION BY THE CLARK ENERSEN PARTNERS FOR A CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS FOR WORK IN THE PUBLIC ALLEY AND FORMER VACATED ALLEY RUNNING NORTH-SOUTH BETWEEN O AND P STREETS WEST OF N. 8TH STREET; AND FOR WORK ON THE BUILDINGS FRAMING THE ALLEY AT 719 P ST., 701 P ST., 700 O ST. AND 720 O ST.

PUBLIC HEARING:

August 15, 2013

Members present: Francis, Johnson, Kuhlman, McKee and Munn; Jones absent.

Zimmer stated that the applicant is still putting together a contract for the lighting of the pedestrian way.

**APPLICATION BY SCOTT SULLIVAN FOR A CERTIFICATE OF
APPROPRIATENESS FOR WORK AT 6117 HAVELOCK AVENUE IN THE
HAVELOCK AVENUE LANDMARK DISTRICT
PUBLIC HEARING:**

August 15, 2013

Members present: Francis, Johnson, Kuhlman, McKee and Munn; Jones absent.

Zimmer stated there was no new information to present.

Staff Report

- Schwarz Paper – Zimmer stated that information was submitted to the State Historical Society regarding the windows on the east side. They are gathering more information and cooperating with the potential buyer.

Miscellaneous

- Zimmer received some information regarding the Fitzpatrick illustrations he previously showed to the Commission. He had a drawing from 1918 of a bank building in Omaha, that he showed at a talk he was giving. He did not believe the building was ever built. After the presentation, a gentleman approached him and stated that the building did get built. It is in Neligh, Nebraska. It was originally called Atlas Bank. It is now a Pinnacle Bank branch.
- Munn is still thinking about the Historic Preservation conference a few months back. There are still some things that he wants to rethink. The Historic Preservation Ordinance is 30 years old. The history of history has changed. He believes it is time to revisit some items. There are many things happening in the area with the West Haymarket. Audrey Mohr from the Nebraska State Historical Society has agreed to help. He would like to form a subcommittee to review the materials and processes. He would like to look at other cities who we think are doing it right. The subcommittee would consist of no more than three members from Historic Preservation Commission.

Johnson and Kuhlman volunteered to participate.

Zimmer believes this group operates in a consistent fashion. The subcommittee could also address bylaws and procedures.

Munn will coordinate with the other members.

Zimmer stated that the group could also consider whether or not they want interested parties in the community to participate in some way. You could reach out to neighborhood groups or former members.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:30 p.m.